



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Manabu OKU

Art Unit: 1742

Application No.: 10/670,284

Examiner: YEE, D.

Filed: September 26, 2003

Attorney Dkt. No.: 12065-0008

For: FERRITIC STEEL SHEET CONCURRENTLY IMPROVED IN FORMABILITY, HIGH-TEMPERATURE OXIDATION RESISTANCE, AND LOW-TEMPERATURE TOUGHNESS

STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

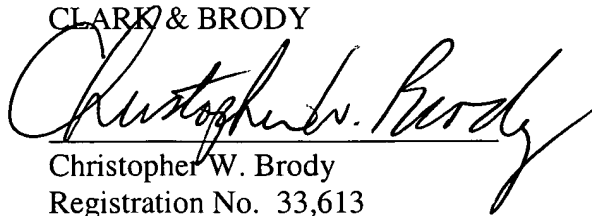
Sir:

Applicants respectfully request the status of the above-identified application, particularly, when we will receive a first Office Action on the merits. The last communication from The Office was the Notice of Publication dated April 8, 2004.

Please advise as to the current status of this application.

Applicants respectfully submit that there is no fee required for this submission, however, please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1088.

Respectfully submitted,
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